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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (previously withdrawn)

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7. (currently amended) A method for administering a plurality of websites wherein the at least one website is hosted at a server comprising the steps of:
administering said plurality of websites by accessing a respective website at an address corresponding to a hierarchal level by a user;
determining the hierarchal level rights of the user; and
providing an indicator to the user, while the user is administering said plurality of websites, of the hierarchal level at which they have accessed the website.

8. (original) The method of claim 7, wherein said indicator is a graphical indicator.

9. (previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the graphical indicator is the color of a significant portion of the website as displayed to the user, said color corresponding to the hierarchal administrative level of the user.

10. (previously presented) The method of claim 7, further comprising the steps of:

storing the hierarchal level of the user at the server;
allowing the user to enter said website at a different hierarchal level than that stored at the server; and

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providing a second indicator corresponding to the hierarchal administrative level of the user corresponding to the level of which the user has accessed the website.

11. (currently amended) A method for administration of a plurality of websites, at least one of the plurality of websites being hosted at a remote server comprising the steps of:

administering said plurality of websites by accessing a respective website at an address corresponding to a hierarchal administrative level;

obtaining login information from the user;

determining at the remote server the access rights of the user based upon access rights information stored at the remote server;

aggregating the rights of the user;

displaying enabling icons at the website corresponding to said aggregated access rights for said user; and

providing a graphical indicator to the user, at the website, of said hierarchal administrative level at which access is made [to the user] while the user is administering the website.

12. (original) The method of claim 11, further comprising the step of grouping all users with common access rights into a plurality of respective groups and storing the groups at the server, determining to which group the user belongs, and enabling the access rights for the user based upon the rights granted to the group to which the user belongs.

13. (previously presented) The method of claim 11, further comprising the steps of determining a hierarchal level of the user.

14. (previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein the indicator indicates the hierarchal level corresponding to the address.

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16. (previously presented) The method of claim 11, further comprising the steps of determining whether a user is authorized for access at the address corresponding to the predetermined access rights utilizing the access right information stored at the remote server and, if authorized, aggregating the rights of the user.

17. (original) The method of claim 16, further comprising the steps of:
grouping all users with common access rights in respective groups;
storing the respective groups at the server;
determining to which group the user belongs; and
aggregating the rights based upon the rights associated with the specific group to which the user is a member.

18. (original) The method of claim 11, further comprising the step of accessing the website at a public address, determining whether any access rights for a user accessing the website at the public address have been stored, and displaying no icons at said website for said user when no access rights have been stored at the server for said user.

19. (original) The method of claim 11, wherein said icons enable editing of material on the website.

20. (previously presented) The method of claim 11, further comprising the steps of:
determining a hierarchal level of the user as a function of the rights of the user.

21. (original) The method of claim 20, further comprising the steps of:
storing the hierarchal level of the user at the server;
allowing the user to enter said website at a different hierarchal level than that stored at the server; and
providing a second indicator corresponding to the hierarchal level of the user corresponding to the level of which the user has accessed the website.

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22. (previously withdrawn)

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26. (currently amended) A system for administration of a plurality of websites comprising:

a server, the server storing data for at least one of the plurality of websites and access rights information for system users;

a plurality of internet accesses for accessing the server by a user each access corresponding to a hierarchal administrative level for administering the website, the server obtaining login information from the user through the internet access, and determining the access rights and hierarchal administrative level of the user based upon the user access right information, and aggregating the rights of the user;

icons displayed at the website for enabling the user to interface with the website in accordance with said aggregated access rights; and

an indicator displayed at the website to indicate to the user, while the user is performing administration of the website, a hierarchal level of the user at which the user is performing administration of the website.

27. (original) The system of claim 26, wherein the user access right information is stored in groups of users with common access rights, the server enabling the access rights for the user based upon the rights granted to the group to which the user belongs.

29. (new) The method for administering a plurality of websites of claim 1, wherein the hierarchal level corresponds to at least one of a website visitor, a website administrator, a website designer, a website owner, a website host, a website master distributor, and the manager of a source code software server.

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30.(new) The method for administering a plurality of websites of claim 11, wherein the hierarchal level corresponds to at least one of a website visitor, a website administrator, a website designer, a server systems administrator, a website master distributor, and a manager of a source code software server administrator.

31.(new) The method for administering a plurality of websites of claim 26, wherein the hierarchal level corresponds to at least one of a website visitor, a website administrator, a website designer, a server systems administrator, a website master distributor, and a source code software server administrator.

32.(new) A method for administering a plurality of websites utilized by a number of users within a hierarchy, at least one website being hosted at a server comprising the steps of:

- administering said plurality of websites by accessing a respective website at an address corresponding to a hierarchal level by a user;

- determining the hierarchal level rights of the user; and

- providing an indicator to the user of the hierarchal level at which they have accessed the website; and

wherein the hierarchal level corresponds to at least one of a website visitor, a website administrator, a website designer, a server systems administrator, a website master distributor, and source code software server administrator.